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Department of Roads. And we want them to go through the regular process of applying. Rather than for us to directly appropriate \$500,000 out of the grant funds to the Department of Roads, they're going to have to apply and go through the regular process.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: And that would be to use money...

SENATOR SCHROCK: That was...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...in crumb rubber projects?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Right.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Which I'm an enthusiast of that myself. And there's been...our county has tried some, and some demonstration, I guess you'd call it, and I'm...they looked very good. And I'm just trying to understand what this does. My other question is, what is...what status does this put the relocation of the recycling plant at Nebraska City into, where it goes to Tarkio? Will that be eligible for grants under this, because it's out of state?

SENATOR SCHROCK: It will not be eligible for grants, because it is in another state.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay. And...

SENATOR SCHROCK: Don is looking at me funny here.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...but entities in Nebraska request...wanting to use crumb rubber could benefit by getting the grants here and then using crumb rubber for their highways? Is that...?

SENATOR SCHROCK: That is correct.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: And also, what is the status of the banded bearing tires process, under this particular bill?

SENATOR SCHROCK: It...LB 144 does not change that status.